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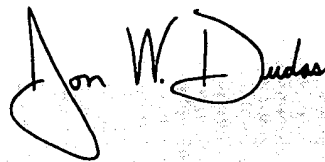
It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Column 19, Line 6, please delete "easing", and insert therefor --casing--.

Column 19, Line 7, please delete "easing", and insert therefor --casing--.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jon W. Dudas". The signature is stylized with a large, looped initial "J" and a cursive "Dudas".

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